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MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT AND AGENDA

Announcement Date: September 18, 2015

FULL BOARD:

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Time: 8:00 a.m.

October 1, 2015

Location: Double Tree Hotel, D1 Salon

2233 Ventura St.

Fresno, California 93721

REGULAR SESSION

Time: Approximately 9:00 a.m.

October 1, 2015

Location: Double Tree Hotel, D1 Salon

2233 Ventura St.

Fresno, California 93721

FIELD TOUR: Discussing and observing drought mortality on federal and private timberlands:

Time: 8:00 a.m.

September 30, 2015

**See Additional Information for Field Tour,
including RSVP instructions, can be
located on page 2.**

Location: Double Tree Hotel

2233 Ventura St.

Fresno, California 93721

COMMITTEES:

FOREST PRACTICE COMMITTEE

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

September 29, 2015

Location: Double Tree Hotel, Tioga Rm

2233 Ventura St.

Fresno, California 93721

RESOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

September 29, 2015

Location: Double Tree Hotel, D1 Salon

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Management Committee

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

September 29, 2015

Location: Double Tree Hotel, Sierra Rm

2233 Ventura St.

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The Board's Mission:

To lead California in developing policies and programs that serve the public interest in environmentally, economically, and socially sustainable management of forest and rangelands and a fire protection system that protects and serves the people of the state.

**WORKSHOP/CONSULTATION: Vegetation Treatment Program Programmatic
Environmental Impact Report (VTPEIR):**

**Time: 10:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
September 29, 2015**

**Location: Double Tree Hotel, D1 Salon
2233 Ventura St.
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Contact information: Those requiring further information regarding this meeting notice may contact Matt Dias, Acting Executive Officer, State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, P.O. Box 944246, Sacramento, CA, 94244- 2460, (916) 653-8007. This meeting notice is also available in electronic format at: http://www.bof.fire.ca.gov/board_business/meeting_agendas/. Other meeting materials and sign up for WebEx are available at: <http://www.bof.fire.ca.gov/>.

Webcast: The full Board, Committee and Workshop/Consultation meetings will be accessible via live webcast. Board members will be in attendance at the meetings' noticed locations, along with any members of the public that choose to attend. Members of the public may register for the webinar(s) at <http://www.bof.fire.ca.gov/>. Audio recordings of the full Board meeting will be preserved and available on the Board's website. Due to space limitations on its servers, the Board does not preserve video recordings of its Board meetings and audio recordings of its Committee and Workshop/Consultation meetings.

Additional Information on Field Tour:

- Please be certain to wear appropriate footwear for hiking.
- Temperatures may be hot, so please be sure to bring sufficient amounts of water and sunscreen.
- Lunch WILL NOT be provided. Please be certain to bring along a sack lunch.
- A tour bus or vans will be provided for field tour participants to limit the number of vehicles in transit.

RSVP INSTRUCTIONS: All persons attending the field tour are requested to RSVP to Linda Cano, Executive Assistant of the Board of Forestry and Fire Protection by 5 p.m. on September 25, 2015. This is necessary to assure that appropriate accommodations for transport of tour participants are provided. Ms. Cano can be reached via phone at 916.653.8031 or via email at linda.cano@bof.ca.gov.

BOARD AGENDA

EXECUTIVE SESSION

October 1, 2015

Time: 8:00 a.m.

Location: **Double Tree Hotel, D1 Salon
2233 Ventura St.
Fresno, California 93721**

1. Call to Order.
2. Adjourn to Executive Session.

Executive Session: (Closed to the Public) Discussion of Matters Related to Foresters Licensing such as Certifications; Voluntary Relinquishments; and/or Revocations of RPF Licenses/CRM Certifications Under Section 11126 (c)(1), (c)(2), (c)(3) of the Government Code; Employee Evaluation Under 11126 (a)(1); also Discussion of Pending and Potential Litigation Under Section 11126 (e) of the Government Code. (The Executive Session may be reconvened if determined necessary.) The Board will review:

- a. Christ v. California Dept. of Forestry and Fire Protection, et al., Court of Appeals (3rd District), Case No. C076957
- b. Rancho Guejito Corp. v. Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, San Diego County Superior Court, Case No. 27-2014-00027683
- c. White v. Pimlott, et al., Court of Appeals (3rd District), Case No. A141475
- d. White v. Walters, et al., Court of Appeals (3rd District), Case No. A142886

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3. **Reconvene.**
4. **Announcement of Actions Taken in Executive Session.**
5. **Approval of Minutes from August 2015 Meeting.**

MONTHLY BOARD REPORTS

6. **Report of the Chairman.**
 - a) Update Regarding Procedures and Process for Permanent Replacement of Board's Executive Officer
 - 1) Appointment of Members to Search Committee. **Possible Action Item**
7. **Report of the Director/Department**
8. **Report of the Regulations Coordinator.** The Board's Regulations Coordinator will report on ongoing regulatory matters. **Possible Action Items:** The Board may act in response to requests of the Regulations Coordinator on items presented in the report.
 - a) Review and Discussion of Public Comment on 15 Day Notice for the Supplemental Statement of Reasons for the Working Forest Management Plan. **Possible Action Item.**
 - b) Discussion of the Final Statement of Reasons for the Working Forest Management Plan. **Possible Action Item.**
9. **Report of Executive Officer.** The Board's Executive Officer will report on ongoing administrative matters, proposed state or federal legislation or programs, or new items coming before the Board. **Possible Action Items:** The Board may act in response to requests of the Executive Officer on items presented in the report.
10. **Report of the Standing Committees.** Committee Chairpersons will report on the actionable items from Committee meetings. **Possible Action Items:** The Board may act in response to Committee recommendations. (See Committee Agendas which are incorporated as though fully set forth herein.)

- Forest Practice, Mike Miles, Chair
- Resource Protection, J. Keith Gilles, Board Chair
- Management Committee, Stuart Farber, Chair

11. Report of Board's Advisory Committees

- Forest Pest Council- Katie Harrell
- Monitoring Study Group- Pete Cafferata
- Effectiveness Monitoring Committee- Stuart Farber
 - a) Introduction and Review of Strategic Plan –**Possible Action Item**
- Range Management Advisory Committee- Kevin Conway
- Professional Foresters Examining Committee –Matt Dias.

The Executive Officer for Professional Foresters Registration will report on ongoing PFEC matters. **Possible Action Items:** Issuance of RPF Licenses/CRM Certifications, Withdrawals, Reinstatements, Voluntary Relinquishments, Suspensions, Revocations, or other Actions.

SPECIAL BOARD HEARINGS/REPORTS

12. **Draft Vegetation Treatment Program EIR Workshop/Consultation Summary.** Discussion of Workshop/Consultation and consideration of publishing a Notice of Preparation and scheduling a future scoping meeting. **Possible Action Items.**
13. **Update on AB1492 Timber Regulation and Forest Restoration Program.** Russ Henly, Assistant Secretary of Forest Resources Management, California Natural Resources Agency
14. **Presentation: Fuel Hazard Reduction Permitting Options and Preliminary Monitoring** -Matthew Reichman, Staff Chief, Forest Practice, CAL FIRE and Gary Rynearson, California Forestry Association
15. **Presentation: Biomass – Challenges, Markets, Supply, Infrastructure and Policy –** Larry Swan, Wood Utilization and Biomass Specialist, Region V, USFS.
16. **Initial Hearing: “Rule Alignment, 2015”.** As new language is amended into, outdated language is repealed from, or language is updated in the Board's comprehensive assemblage of forest practice regulations, inconsistencies, errors, and omissions are sometimes introduced. Additionally, updating rules to be consistent with statute sometimes falls behind. The purpose of the proposed action is attaining consistency and clarity of Board regulations.

Amend: 14 CCR, Division 1.5, Chapter 4, Subchapter 1, Article 1, Subchapter 4, Article 6, 7, 14; Subchapter 5, Article 7, 12; Subchapter 6, Article 7, 14; Subchapter 7, Article 2, 6.8, 7 §§ 895.1, 916.9, 917.2, 937.2, 957.2, 937.3, 957.3, 929.1, 949.1, 969.1, 1038, 1039.1, 1041, 1052.1, 1092.01, 1092.26, 1092.28, and 1109.4.

CONCLUSION

17. Public Forum.

Members of the public may address the Board **on any topic within its jurisdiction not otherwise on the agenda.** Submittal of written comments is encouraged to ensure that all comments will be included in the record before the Board. Please be prepared to summarize comments to three minutes in length, or otherwise at the discretion of the chairman. **Submit your request to address the Board under this item via supplied speaker cards prior to the item being called.**

18. New and Unfinished Business.

19. Adjournment.

FOREST PRACTICE COMMITTEE
September 29, 2015
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

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1. Cumulative Impacts Analysis Technical Rule Addendum #2
 - a. Presentation on AB 1504 process, Mark Rosenberg, GIS Analyst, FRAP
2. New and Unfinished Business

Note: The Forest Practice Committee may continue discussion of items included in its agenda, or the Full Board agenda, if the Board recesses or adjourns.

Webcast: The Forest Practice Committee Meeting will be accessible via live webcast. Committee members will be in attendance at the meeting's noticed location, along with any members of the public that choose to attend. Members of the public may register for the webinar(s) at <http://www.bof.fire.ca.gov/>. Due to space limitations on its servers, the Board does not preserve video or audio recordings of its committee meetings.

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1. San Bernardino 4290 Certification Request
2. Safety Element Reviews
 - a. Mono County
 - b. Stanislaus County
3. SRA Grant Regulation
4. New and Unfinished Business

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MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
September 29, 2015
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Location: **Double Tree Hotel, Sierra Rm**
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1. Issues Related to Timberland Conversion
 - a. CAL FIRE Report on small non-TPZ subdivision parcels
 - b. Boles Fire, Emergency Procedures
2. New and Unfinished Business

Note: The Management Committee may continue discussion of items included in its agenda, or the Full Board agenda, if the Board recesses or adjourns.

Webcast: The Management Committee Meeting will be accessible via live webcast. Committee members will be in attendance at the meeting noticed locations, along with any members of the public that choose to attend. Members of the public may register for the webinar(s) at <http://www.bof.fire.ca.gov/>. Due to space limitations on its servers, the Board does not preserve video or audio recordings of its committee meetings.

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1. Board Discussion of DRAFT VTPEIR
2. Agency Comment/Consultation
3. Public Forum/Consultation

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IMPORTANT BOARD MEETING INFORMATION

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals who, because of a disability, need special assistance to attend or participate in a State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection Meeting, may request assistance at the Board Office, 2233 Ventura St. , Room 1506-14, Fresno, California 93721 or by calling (916) 653-8007. Requests should be made one week in advance whenever possible. These facilities are accessible to persons with disabilities.

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN MATERIALS

The public is encouraged to comment on any item on the agenda. You may submit your comments by one of the following methods (only one is necessary): **E-mail to publiccomments@bof.ca.gov, Fax to (916) 653-0989, or U.S. mail to Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, PO Box 944246, Sacramento, CA 94244-2460.**

SPEAKING AT THE MEETING

If you wish to speak on an agenda item, please fill out a "Speaker Card" and give it to Board staff **BEFORE** the agenda item is heard. Cards will be available near the entrance of the meeting room.

- Individuals with a shared position are encouraged to select a spokesperson for their group.
- Individuals who sign up by the deadline will have a maximum of three minutes to speak. The three minute speaking time may be changed by the Chair, depending on the number of speakers. A speaker may not cede time to another speaker. The total amount of time to be allotted to a comment period is based upon the number of those wishing to comment, and will be announced by the Chair prior to the beginning of the comment period.
- The order of speakers will generally be based on random selection, but public officials may be taken out of order.
- The Chairman retains the right to stop any speaker who raises an issue that is not under the Board's jurisdiction.
- Beverages, food, and sticks or any other objects with handles are strictly prohibited. Larger signs, or signs with handles, may be left in the area between the auditorium entrance and the security screening, for retrieval after the meeting.
- Speakers may bring written copies of their own comments to the Board meeting for distribution to the Members of the Board. Copies of the written comments shall be given to the Clerk of the Board who will ensure the appropriate distribution of the comments. Please provide eleven (11) copies.
- The Board retains the right to remove disruptive attendees from the Board meeting.
- The Board reserves the right to override the above rules in case of emergency or other unforeseen circumstances.

WHEN WILL MY AGENDA ITEM BE HEARD?

The Board begins each session at the time listed on the Meeting Notice and generally considers each agenda item in the sequence listed, however, the Board may take any non-hearing agenda item out of order as time permits. The Board may also act on recommendations by its committees on items listed in their respective agendas, including recommendations for notice of rulemaking.

VISUAL PRESENTATIONS/MATERIALS

PowerPoint presentations must be provided on a USB flash drive, flash memory card, DVD or CD. **All presentations are considered part of the public record.** All electronic formats must be Windows PC compatible. It is recommended that a hard copy of any electronic presentation be submitted in case of technical difficulties.